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CANTON'S BOSSES.

TRUTH DAWNING ON STRIKERS.

NOT FRIENDS WITH POLICE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, July 23.

A reliable estimate to-day gives the number of Hongkong strikers who are registered by the Strike Executive as 45,000. There are very few women, if any at all, who are in possession of "chow" tickets. The total of workers who have come up from Hongkong since the trouble began was at one time believed to be over 100,000 but this figure has now dwindled down to not more than 65,000. Of those who lost heart and sneaked out from Canton, the majority are those who did not report at the Strike headquarters but preferred to shift for themselves and incidentally to provide their own food.

Funds are at a very low ebb. The Government has cut down its first generosity, it is reported, and the Strike Executive, in its anxiety to procure funds have taken steps which have led to animosity, if not antagonism, with the Municipal authorities, particularly the Police, whose duties in many ways conflict with the Strike pickets.

I have already detailed the cash producing plans, such as half a month's rent contribution, a levy on workers departing from Canton, the projected theatrical and singing enterprises, the floating of a voluntary loan, etc.

There has also been talk about the division of private property which is specially favoured by the Communist element of the Kuomintang Party as it is the main plank of their platform. In their extremity the Executive has turned to other means.

The first rent contribution was paid, in all probability, by tenants. Now the "professional labour bosses" are pointing out that house owners have profited by the recent influx and that landlords should pay another half month's rent toward strike funds. One leader has gone to the extent of suggesting that the embargo on produce be lifted but that a tax be levied.

In spite of the difficulty of financing the movement, the Strike Executive is determined not to let the rank and file slip away if possible. As long as the strike lasts, the "bosses" and the lesser officials, who invariably exhibit their badges, all stand to make something even if it is only the taking of money off workers leaving Canton. However, each steamer leaving Canton for Macao is carrying passengers to capacity.

Ordinary people, by whom are meant those who were not actual workers but who left Hongkong because of fear, are still being served with all kinds of wild stories, which are now considerably discounted by the appearance of the Tung On. Reliable news is also getting through, and the masses are beginning to realise the truth.

With the exception of rice, food is comparatively cheap in the city. A food commission exists but has accomplished little. Many of those now going to Hongkong via Macao are from their native villages where they have given up trying to live in idleness with high prices.

Through having to go by devious routes, it is costing each adult, on an average, as much as \$30 if not more to get from up-country to Hongkong.

Politically there is little to write. Neither of the opposing cliques in the Kuomintang feels strong enough to risk a struggle and politicians are now trying to win over all the adherents they can and convert the wavering ones to strengthen their respective causes.

ROAD TO COMMEMORATE THE STRIKE?

DESERTERS ILL-TREATED.

The "China Mail" has it from an authoritative source that none of the deportees from Hongkong are being allowed to stop in Canton but are being made to return to their native villages the attitude of the Canton Government being that they should have left Hongkong earlier on.

Strikers from Hongkong at present in Canton and desirous of returning via Macao have been subjected to ill-treatment whenever caught being handcuffed and taken to prison.

The general body of strikers in Canton have petitioned the Kuomintang Government that a new road should be constructed to commemorate the strike.

BANDIT REBEL.

MOVEMENTS OF CHAN'S ARMY.

THREAT AGAINST CANTON?

To-day's "Wah Tsz Yat Po" reports that Yuen Hui-kun, the former bandit who has refused to obey Canton's orders while at Sheklung, is still active in East River territory and that activities have been recorded at the inland town of Taung Shing.

Yuen was once a terror as an outlaw but was made a general by Chau Kwing-ming, subsequently going over General Hsu Shung-chi's army. It is probably due to his movements, in defiance of Canton's instructions, that a detachment of Whampoa Cadets has been sent to restore order.

The vernacular paper also reports the fact that the three leading subordinates of Chan are now congregating their troops in the hinterland of Swatow. A military council has been held but Chan Kwing-ming has not left his "retirement."

BY MISTAKE.

WUCHOW FOREIGNERS RETURN.

STORES TAKEN UP.

The stay of the residents of Wuchow in Hongkong was very short. Yesterday some thirty of them arrived by the s.s. Tung On, having, so they said, received a wireless message that all British there were to vacate.

When they arrived here it was found that a mistake had been made, no such order having been intended.

Yesterday evening the residents left by an A.P.C. oil lighter which was commissioned by the naval authorities and manned by naval ratings.

The food supplies had been running short in Wuchow, a boycott having been enforced by the Chinese in respect of all British, this referring also to H.M.S. Moorhen and U.S.S. Pampana. The oil lighter accordingly took up a considerable amount of stores.

BACK TO NORMAL.

UNLICENSED HAWKERS CHARGED.

With the opening of the market stalls, the police are now taking action against unlicensed hawkers who have been carrying on their work unmolested for nearly a month.

Before Mr. McDermid, at the Central Magistracy this morning, five men and two women were charged with hawking pork on the streets without licences. All pleaded guilty. His Worship discharged them with a warning, as they were the first to be brought up, but remarked that any more caught selling without licences will be fined.

MORE IDLERS.

Raids on idlers' dens were continued this morning when the inmates of a number of streets in Yau-mat including Austin Road, Shanghai Street and Woosung Street, found their houses surrounded by troops from the Punjab Regiment. The police conducted a house to house search and arrested 40 persons, several dangers being also found in the course of their search.

The raid was carried out under the direction of Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. L. H. V. Booth (Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence) and Mr. W. R. Scott (Assistant Superintendent of Police for Kowloon).

NEW WAITRESSES.

CHINESE TEA-HOUSE INNOVATION.

Many Chinese tea-houses in the Colony have taken into their employ a number of Chinese girls as waitresses.

An attempt to introduce female labour into tea-houses was made some time ago at which time the Hongkong Government set its face against the practice on the grounds of undesirability and it is unlikely that the practice will be allowed to continue when things return to normal.

LATE FERRIES.

10-MINUTE SERVICE FOR RUSH HOURS.

NIGHT EXTENSIONS.

Another step in the process of reverting to normal conditions is marked by the increased "Star" Ferry service as from this morning.

Since the stoppage began, the company has maintained a 15-minute service till 8 p.m. each day. European coxswains have now brought the new men on to such a stage that extension has been warranted.

This morning during the "rush hours" (8.30 to 9.30) a ten-minute service was put on and this will be repeated from 12.30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Another boon is the restoration of night ferries. The last ferry will leave Kowloon to-night at 11.45 p.m. and the last from Hongkong will be at 12 midnight. After 8 p.m. (Hongkong side) and 8.15 p.m. (Kowloon side) the ferries will leave at intervals of 30 minutes.

Permission is being sought from the Captain Superintendent of Police to remove the restriction on Chinese passengers, and it is hoped that there will be no necessity, shortly, for natives to apply at the City Hall for permission to travel on the "Star" Ferries.

ABD EL KRIM.

ACTS LIKE CHINESE BANDIT.

TRYING TO GAIN TIME.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, July 24.

The Moroccan situation is summed up by Abd el Krim losing ground both from the military and political standpoint.

The "Temps" says that the Rifian withdrawal to the North of Wergah indicates that Abd el Krim is anxious to avoid the battle rendered imminent by the arrival of French reinforcements. He knows the difficulties of French pursuit into the mountains and thus hopes to gain time to open negotiations.

NAVAL TOURISTS.

AMERICAN FLEET IN AUSTRALIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, July 24.

The march past of the American naval force through enormous enthusiastic crowds was held up by a distressing accident. The verandah of a cinema in Bourke Street which was packed by spectators, collapsed. At first it was reported that fifteen were killed, but it was ascertained later that there were no fatalities, but 131 were injured, some seriously.

There are two divisions of the American Fleet, the battleship California flying the flag, of Admiral Robison heading thirteen ships at Sydney, and Admiral Coontz's squadron at Melbourne consisting of four battleships, five cruisers and twenty-eight destroyers.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Swampscott, July 24.

President Coolidge is most pleased at the heartiness of the reception of the American fleet in Australia. He said that the welcome was most gratifying, and hoped that the visit of the Fleet to the far Pacific would assist in emphasising the cordial relations between the United States and other nations of the world.

The Labour Department at Police Headquarters, which has been responsible for the supply to employers of coolies and other workers at the most critical period of the strike, is to be closed as from Monday next. Another indication of the return to normal as regards labour conditions.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/3 15/16.

NOT A BOMB.

BIG EXPLOSION IN CANTON.

BLAZE ON TOW-BOATS.

Canton has been treated to what was at first thought to be a bomb outrage in one of the busiest parts of the city.

The "Wah Tsz Yat Po," a local vernacular paper, states that a big explosion took place at the Western Creek, several large tow-boats caught fire, an immense conflagration on the River became imminent and a number of people were seriously injured by explosions.

At 9.30 on Wednesday night, a loud explosion was heard and traced to the Kowkong tow-boat which was lying alongside the Bund. It appears that a quantity of gunpowder and explosive, maintained on the junk for anti-piracy defence, had become ignited and exploded. As the explosion was in the bowels of the vessel, the whole vessel was soon ablaze and the fire threatened to spread rapidly. Tied up close to other tow-boats which could not get away as they had no power of their own. Hundreds of sampans and small craft were also in the vicinity. As all the boats are made of highly combustible material, it was feared that the outbreak might involve a large part of the River. However, the burning vessel was ultimately cut adrift and the others squeezed out of the danger zone, but not before one or more of the tow-boats had also been involved in the fire.

About ten persons were injured on the Kowkong boat and these were treated by Red Cross men and sent to hospital. A rumour went abroad that pirates had caused the explosion as part of a scheme of blackmail to extort money but it became known that the ignition of the explosive was due to an accident.

FUNDS WANTED.

PEKING URGED TO HELP STRIKERS.

A REPLY IN DETAIL.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, July 24.

Delegates of the Workers', Students' and Merchants' Association interviewed Tuan Chi-jui (the Chief Executive) yesterday and urged the Government to remit funds to the strikers at Shanghai. Tuan replied that this might cause misunderstanding with the Powers but suggested that the Government telegraph to the Chamber of Commerce instructing them to devise means to support the needy.

The delegates urged, secondly, that the Government promulgate regulations dealing with the workers' associations. Tuan Chi-jui replied that these will be submitted to the Cabinet shortly. Thirdly, the delegates urged the Government to negotiate on the basis of the thirteen demands. Tuan replied that the Government was doing its best as regards the negotiations.

The delegates then interviewed Shen Jui-lin who declared that discussions as regards negotiations were occurring daily and good progress was being made.

NURSES' COUNCIL.

LADY IN CHINA AS PRESIDENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Helsingfors, July 24.

Nurses' organisations of Poland, France, Ireland and Cuba have been admitted to the International Council of Nurses, the new president of which is Miss Nina Gage of China.

The next congress will be held at Peking.

A further return to normal on the part of the Café Wiseman management is their decision to remain open until 2 p.m. on Sunday, till then being served. This takes effect from to-morrow.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended July 11 amounted to 84,971 tons and the sales during the period to 76,849 tons.

COAL CRISIS.

OWNERS AND MINERS MEET.

LIVING WAGE WANTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, July 24.

It is officially announced that the coal owners and miners met jointly this afternoon and adjourned till July 29.

It is learned that the miners' representatives informed Mr. W. G. Bridgeman (First Lord of the Admiralty), that they wanted a peaceful settlement if it could be secured, but they meant to have a living wage. They also hoped that the owners' notices would be suspended.

The Chairman of the Trade Union Congress declared that the Congress would support the miners and textile workers.

EARLIER CABLES.

London, July 24.

The Miners' Executive has decided to meet Mr. Bridgeman to discuss the question of re-opening negotiations.

There were important developments in the coal dispute to-day. Representatives of the owners and miners separately met Mr. Bridgeman, at the Ministry of Labour, to discuss obstacles to the opening of negotiations for a new agreement.

Simultaneously a special conference of representatives of all Trade Unions affiliated to the Trade Union Congress was held at the Central Hall at Westminster to discuss unemployment and also the mining and textile disputes.

The Miners' Executive submitted a statement to the conference declaring that the miners desired a peaceful settlement and possibly the lockout notices might be postponed or withdrawn, but the mine owners were perhaps the most obstinate set of employers in the country and apparently resolved to force the lockout irrespective of the consequences. The statement concludes with an appeal to the whole Trade Union movement to support the miners.

TEXTILE TRADE.

BRADFORD STRIKERS RUSH MILL GATES.

FRACAS WITH POLICE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, July 24.

Fifty thousand wool and textile workers struck at Bradford against the reduction of five per cent. in wages.

Strikers ignored the leaders' instructions to allow firms, where wages were not reduced, to continue working, but they rushed the mill gates and forced operatives to cease work.

The Police frustrated several attempts. Stones were thrown, windows were smashed and two police were slightly wounded.

Earlier Cable.

London, July 24.

The strike of wool and textile operatives, referred to in the House of Commons on July 22, has already begun. The operatives are resisting a five per cent. reduction in the cost of living bonus, which the employers declare is necessary in order to meet foreign competition.

NOT SERIOUS.

MELBOURNE CINEMA COLLAPSE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, July 24.

Most of those injured in the verandah collapse were not seriously hurt.

Only seventeen were detained in hospital. [As given in full in an earlier cable, the verandah of a Bourke Street cinema crashed during the march past of the U.S. Fleet.]

Melbourne, July 24. Anxiety as to the effects of the shipping strike is deepening. Unemployment is increasing. The Rt. Hon. S. M. Bruce has urged both sides to strive for an early settlement as it is impossible for the Government to contemplate such a state of things. (Reuter.)

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N. L. SMITH,
Head of the Sanitary Department,
Hongkong, July 23, 1925.

NOTICE.

With reference to the notice of June 22nd requesting all persons wishing to offer their services in the Public interest to report to the office of the Labour Controller, the labour office for others than Chinese will be closed as from Saturday, July 25th. The office of the Assistant Controller of Labour (Chinese) will remain open until further notice.

G. M. YOUNG,
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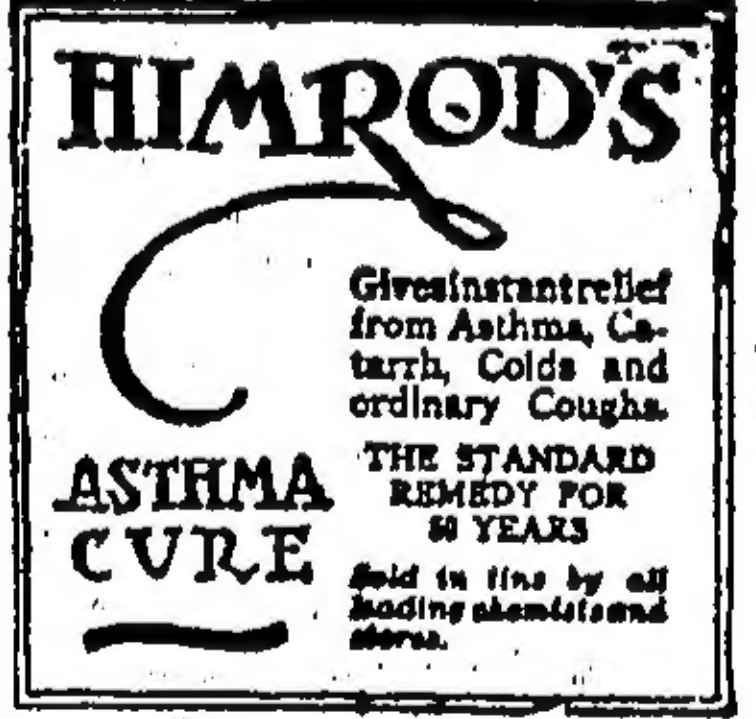
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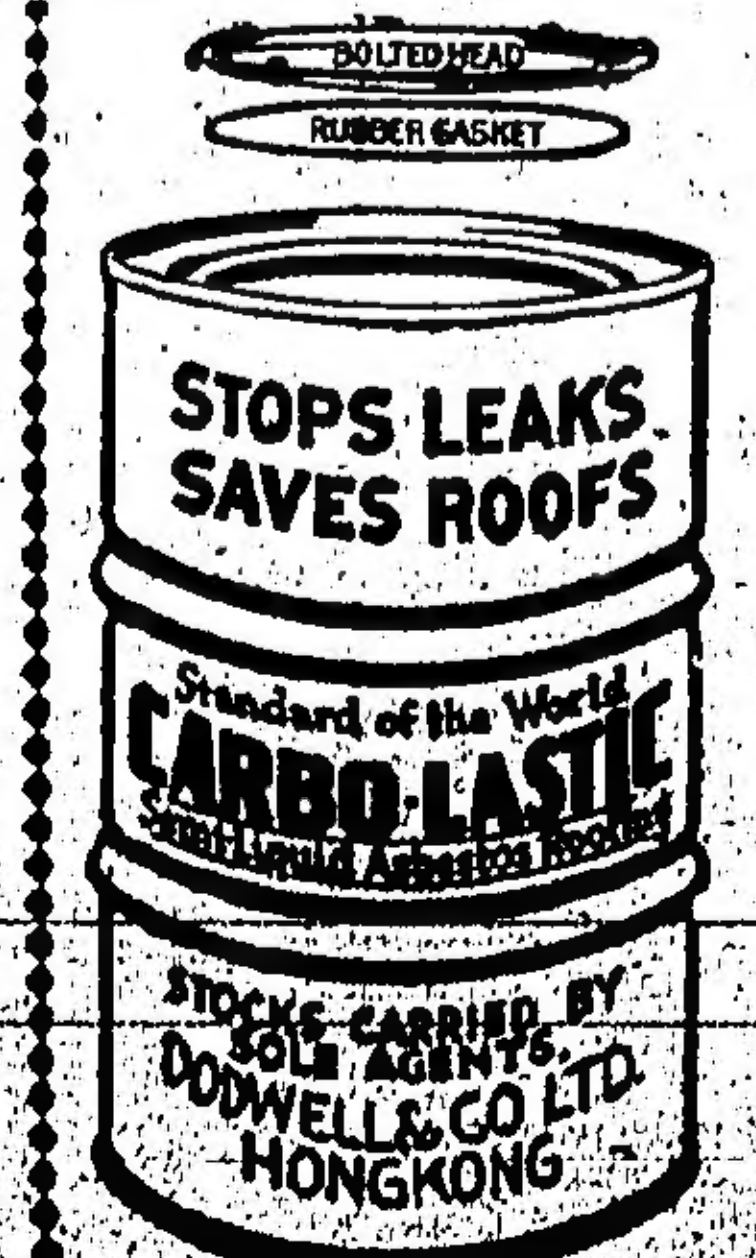
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PUBLIC SAFETY.

We are disinclined to throw
cold water on the suggestion
which has been adopted to hold
a public meeting. There are
immense possibilities for good in
holding such a meeting if it is
designed to plan methods for the
future that shall rouse the civic
spirit that lies dormant in most
people; and that shall tell us
something new to provoke
thought or action on the political
questions which now seem part
and parcel of the thing from
which we are suffering—a dis-
tinctly anti-British feeling. We
shall deplore a meeting in which
language of a peevish character
is likely to find expression, or
language even of hostility—
hostility even against Unofficial
members of the Legislative Coun-
cil who have failed to make pre-
sident such questions as the
registration of servants and the
question of our general prepared-
ness to meet the possible con-
tingency of a general strike. On
the question of the registration
of servants we add nothing to

the flow of words which the
question has occasioned, beyond
pointing out that there has been
for years in the Government's
possession a possible scheme
which has never had the honour
either of being discussed, or put
into operation. Why?.... The
Seamen's strike and the general
strike in sympathy on the part
of servants—produced a Govern-
ment registration of male
residents, and the Peak Residents
Association. The one, a Govern-
ment, has been a decided waste
of time because it has been a
failure. The other has been a
decided success. It is evident
then that it is the civic population
of Hongkong that must set its
house in order and make some
endeavour to meet situations that
may arise any moment from the
sudden caprice of an admittedly
temperamental people, badly
guided. We need to remember
that we are almost a "buffer
state," in close proximity to two
centres of divided Chinese opinion
and dialect, which can turn and
rend each other, and show its
spite at the foreigner with dis-
agreeable frequency. The
Government has fulfilled its
obligations when it provides
the means to uphold law
and order; but it is clear that
it is unable to do so adequately
without the full support of the
community which has been at its
disposal at the present moment.
There should be in existence a
Civic League devoted first of all
to the cause of Public Safety.
A League whose motto may be
summed up in one word: Defence.
Maintain the Volunteer Defence
Corps by all means; but let there
be in addition a Police Reserve,
and sections in which those
possessing technical and other
qualifications are enrolled. In
this way, when there is a stop-
page of trams, it will not be a
week or a fortnight before they
are resumed, but the service will
continue to function as though
nothing had happened. Space

does not allow the elaboration of
what seems a simple idea or of
a number of difficulties that
readily occur to the mind in spite
of the general simplicity. The
1922 strike taught a lesson which
has not been taken greatly to
heart by those from whom we
have a right to expect a lead. It
is the duty of the community to
protect itself and the general
interests it represents in no
uncertain manner. It is not likely
to do so unless there is some set
scheme, which can be placed in
operation at a moment's notice,
and which has included in its
general effect the important ques-
tion of food supplies. In the hope
that the public meeting will
formulate some definite plan of
campaign and create an effective
organisation, do we wish it well.

A Notable Achievement.

The engineer knows it is very
easy to make a mechanical con-
trivance to perform a given duty
if he does not pay heed to reduc-
tion in the number of work-parts,
but the hall mark of any worth
while mechanical device is sim-
plicity. It is the absence of com-
plex details which distinguishes
real genius in design. It is com-
paratively easy for instance, to
build a motor engine with over-
head valves having a multiplicity
of push rods and rocking arms
to operate the valves, but it is
an entirely different matter to
produce an engine on this prin-
ciple which eliminates all such
wearing parts. The achievement
which the Ailsa Craig Motor Co.,
Ltd., of Chiswick, London, have
attained in producing a series of
overhead valve marine motors
with camshafts acting direct on
the valves is, therefore, the more
notable. The simplicity of these
engines may be gauged by the
fact that the Ailsa Craig "Kid"
10-14 h.p. 4-cylinder engine, which
for the complete outfit only costs
£100, has over 100 less working
parts than engines built on the
push rod and rocking arm prin-
ciple. One effect of this sim-
plicity of design, and perhaps the
most important, is that it has been
possible to reduce the manufac-
turing costs so that users, whilst
obtaining all the advantages of
superior efficiency of the overhead
valve engine, can do so at a cost
which, power for power, is con-
siderably less than engines of the
older and less efficient side valve
design.

LOCAL & GENERAL.

One Indian case of para-
typhoid fever (imported) was
reported on Thursday.

The name of Dr. Annie Syden-
ham, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P.
(Hon.) of the London Mission,
Robinson Road, has been added to
the Hongkong Medical Register.

Silk forwarded from here by
the "Empress of Asia" on June 30
arrived in New York (St. John's
Park) on July 21, having been 21
days in transit.

H.E. the Governor has accepted
the resignation by 2nd Lieut. E. B.
Reed of his commission in the
Hongkong Volunteer Defence
Corps, with effect from July 17.

It is notified in the "Gazette"
that the provisions of the Rents
Ordinance, shall not apply to No.
78, Des Vaux Road West, ground,
first and third floors, and Nos. 154,
Connaght Road Central, and 307,
Des Vaux Road Central.

Yumati Typhoon Shelter.—
Owing to a quantity of sail having
entered the shelter by the Waterloo
Road nullah, the East Channel of
the shelter is not navigable, a boat
displaying a red flag by day and a
red light by night is anchored in
this Channel.

With reference to Government
Notifications No. 867 of June 22,
No. 387 of July 2 and No. 398 of
July 5, it is hereby notified that on
and after Monday, July 27, applica-
tions for permission to export pro-
hibited goods, with the exception of
gold and silver coins, gold and silver
bullion and bank notes which will
continue to be dealt with by the
Colonial Secretary, should be ad-
dressed to the Superintendent of
Imports and Exports.

At the Central Magistracy this
morning, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest
conducted an inquiry into the
circumstances attending the
death of a Chinese woman at Tai
Hang village on July 3. The in-
quiry was proceeding at time of
going to press. The woman met
her death by rolling down the hill-
side. In her attempt to escape
from falling into the hands of the
police, who were rounding up
illicit firewood cutters.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

We want the whole of
BEAVER! our people to be fine old
English gentlemen, says
Mr. J. Baker, Labour M. P. for
Bilston. We don't! We want to
see some fine young English gen-
tlemen and some fine young Irish
gentlemen among them. We're all
growing older, older every day!"
waffles the gentle poet; but that
is because we can't help it. We
none of us want to be old. We
feel hurt to think that Mr. Baker
wants to inflict old age upon all
of us!

Things Heard. man who tells you
things about him-
self that you intended telling him
about yourself.

What is it that has eight ears
and sings?—A gramophone.
There are no doors in the new
Ford cars. They give you a tin
opener, and you can get into them
anywhere.

Know him? Of course, I do. He
was my dog at Borsal.
He's a great talker. He
must have been vaccinated with a
gramophone needle.
Some people are born stupid, but
you've abused the privilege.

Thus the "Bri-
tish North Borneo
Herald" on July 1.

Possibly most cooks in Taiwan
deserve to have their throats cut,
but all the same it was not sporting
of the water carrier to carve the
man up while he was asleep, espe-
cially as the weapon was the cook's
and was that generally used in the
preparation of the delicacy known
as *dagang chin-chang*, which, being
interpreted, is the mince which
forms no small part of the diet of
those Europeans whose lot is cast in
Borneo. The cook, with a wind-
pipe almost severed, was lucky in
being able to get attention at once,
and is almost well enough to con-
tinue his destructive work.

Mr. Gilbert
"Extreme Oriental
Mixture."

having a good reception in London.
His "foreword" contains an amus-
ing defence against those critics
who took him to task for his
"jaunty" treatment of the subjects
in his last book.
The fact that some of the praise
of *Far Eastern Jaunts* came from
Scotland confirmed him, he says,
"in a suspicion I had long har-
boured that Scotsmen, are if any-
thing, more readily appreciative of
the best form of humour than
Englishmen." Scotsmen, in the
compliment to themselves, forgive
this humorous egotism.

This story comes
TOLD AT THE from a golfing centre
NINETEENTH where they are feel-
ing the heat. First
player—"It's getting
ten hot for words." Second ditto
(quoting in a bunker after breaking
his mallet)—"Oh, is it? Listen!
Joe Kirkwood has a fund of good
golfing stories. He told one at
Gleneagles of a young lady golfer
who, when he asked her, "What
did you go round in?" gave him
for answer the unexpected infor-
mation. "Oh, in blouse and skirt,
of course."

Another was of a player who had
become grievously addicted to tap-
ping the ball, and called on the local
professional for advice. "Just turn
this ball upside down and hit it in
the same place," was the unex-
pected reply.

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nection; thirteen bad
rooms."

—Advt. in "Birmingham Post."
Let's hope the guests won't still
be tempted to prefer their room to
their company!

The late Bishop
A KIND HALPER. of Lincoln was
once the subject
of an amusing misunderstanding
with a little girl, relates Mr. D. D.
Knox in "Children's Nursery Say-
ings."

The Bishop, who had been sitting
in a park, experienced some diffi-
culty in rising from his low chair,
when a very small child came to his
assistance.

"Shall I help you, sir?" she
asked.
"It is very kind of you, my dear,"
said the Bishop, much touched and
a little amused.

"But do you think you are strong
enough?"
"Oh, yes," she replied readily.
"I have often helped my daddy
when he was much drunker than
you are."

A well-known an-
onymous letter, on leaving his
house one morning
forgot a letter that

he had intended to mail. During
the afternoon something recalled it
to his mind, and as it was of con-
siderable importance he hurried
home.

The letter was nowhere to be
found.
He summoned the servant.
"Have you seen anything of a let-
ter of mine lying about?"

"Yes, sir."
"Where is it?"
"Posted, sir."
"Posted! Why, I had not writ-
ten the name or address on the
envelope!"

"I know that, sir," was the reply.
"but I thought it must be in answer
to one of them anonymous letters
you've been getting lately."

Cross-word enthu-
siasm has been a rough
Puzzles. divided into two main
groups. There are
those who, in their march through
this mechanical world, set at naught
symbolic value upon activity, as a
lost of ingenuity per se; and there
are those who, instinctively fright-
ened of loneliness, seek alliance of
any kind, and assume that alliance
is stabilised by wholesale participa-
tion.

Further examination compels us
to transfer, temporarily at least,
many from the first group to the
second, and makes the boundary im-
permanent. For it will be perhaps
admitted that the pleasure of solving
any puzzle, as distinct from the
pleasure involved in pronouncing
upon its "goodness," is limited en-
tirely by the ability of the in-
telligence; while its "goodness"
varies the process of solving has
consciously or unconsciously, flut-
tered the vanity of the solver.
A riddle is propounded to the
intelligence, unravelling proceeds
pace to solution; and two effects
arise, shared by the thousands of
minds which accepted the riddle.
The first is the common bond of
triumph, the second a presumed
ascendancy over the intelligence of
the author. The second brings a
curious addition to personal and in-
tellectual security.—B. H. D., in
the "Adelphi."

REASONS FOR TRAVEL.

Mr. H. M. Tomlinson, whose
work, *Tidemarks*, was hailed as one
of the greatest travel books of recent
years, has an interesting article in
the excellent *Nation Travel* number
on "Reasons for Travel." He
writes:—

"It is better to obey the mysteri-
ous index, without any fuss, when
it points a new road. There is
probably as much reason for it, if
the truth were known, as for any-
thing else."

"I can see now, though it was
not easily seen at the time, that
there was little to doubt about that
voyage. It is worth the break; and
the discomfort of a winter dock,
and the drive out in the face of
hard westerly weather, to come up
a ship's companion one morning,
and to see for the first time the
glow of sunrise above the palisade
of the jungle."

"You never forget the warm
smell of it, and its light; though
that simple wonder might not be
thought worth a hard fight with
gales in the western ocean. Yet
later, when the forest by all the
reasonable estimates of a visitor
accustomed to the assumption of
man's control of nature should
have ended, yet continues as though
it were eternal, savage, flamboyant,
yet silent and desolate, the voyager
begins to feel uneasy.
He cannot meet that lofty and
sombre regard with the cheerful
curiosity of the early part of the
voyage. He feels lost. St. Paul's
Cathedral does not seem as influ-
ential as it once did, nor man as im-
portant. And perhaps it is not an
unpleasant surprise, either, that man
may be only a slightly disturbing
episode on earth after all, and had
better look out; a hindering and
humbling notion of that sort would
have done him no harm, if of late
years it had given him pause.

"Besides, there were the men
one met. It would be pretty hard
to explain the impulse which sent
one travelling—an impulse strong
enough, if vague, to overcome one's
natural desire to be let alone. What
did one want, or expect to learn?"

"But you are aware, at rare
moments, that you have got some-
thing almost as valuable as a tip
about a new oil-field, in some
chance converse with a stranger,
about nothing in particular. It
would not be easy to put it down
in plain figures."

"For it might have been night
in the Malacca Strait, with nothing
to give reasonable conviction of the
realities except the stars, the
remorse of the ship's rail, and the
glow of a shipmate's cigar; and the
other man might not have said
much—you had, previously noticed
that he was not that kind—but his
casual relation of an obscure ad-
venture—rather as if the dreaming of
the voyager—gave an abiding content
to the shadows."

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"TANDA"	8,868	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"HARKUNDA"	9,114	21st Aug.	Shanghai
"DELTA"	9,037	31st Aug.	Shanghai and Kobe
"KARMALA"	8,128	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	8,009	13th Sept.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"BOUDAN"	8,696	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KRYVA"	9,136	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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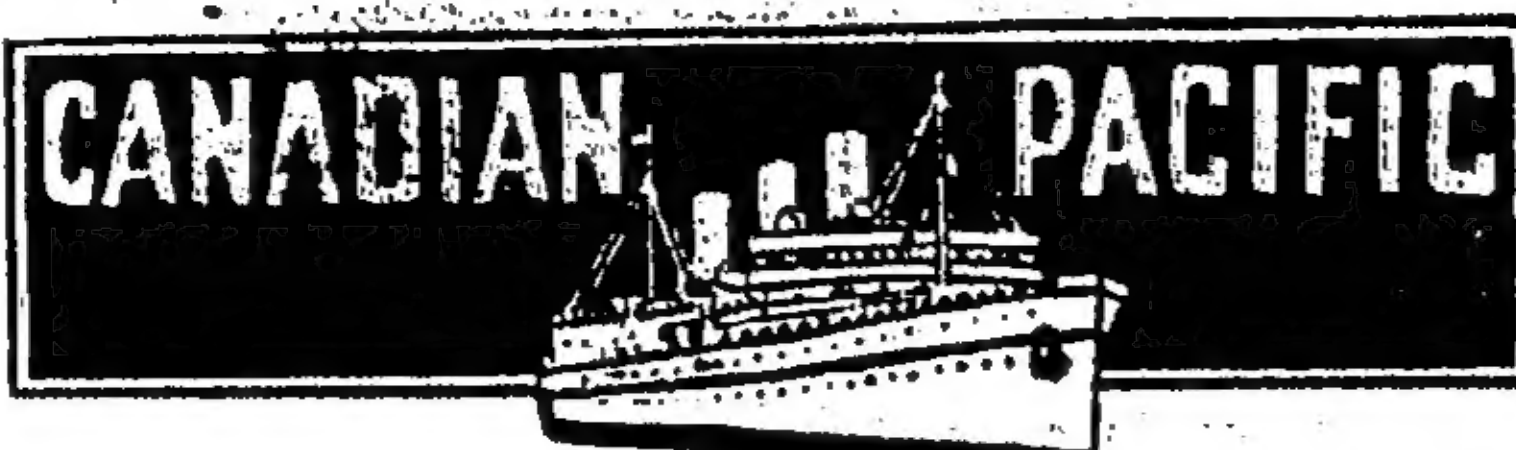
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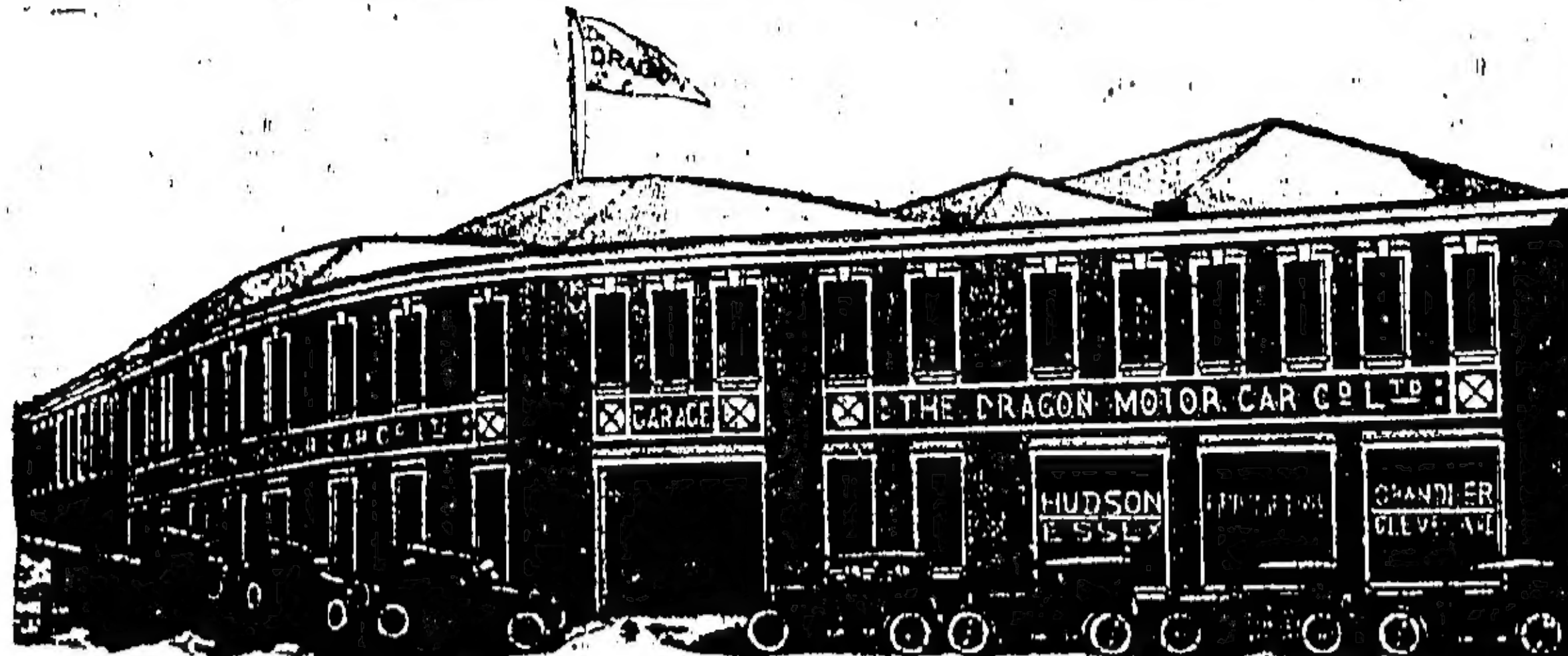
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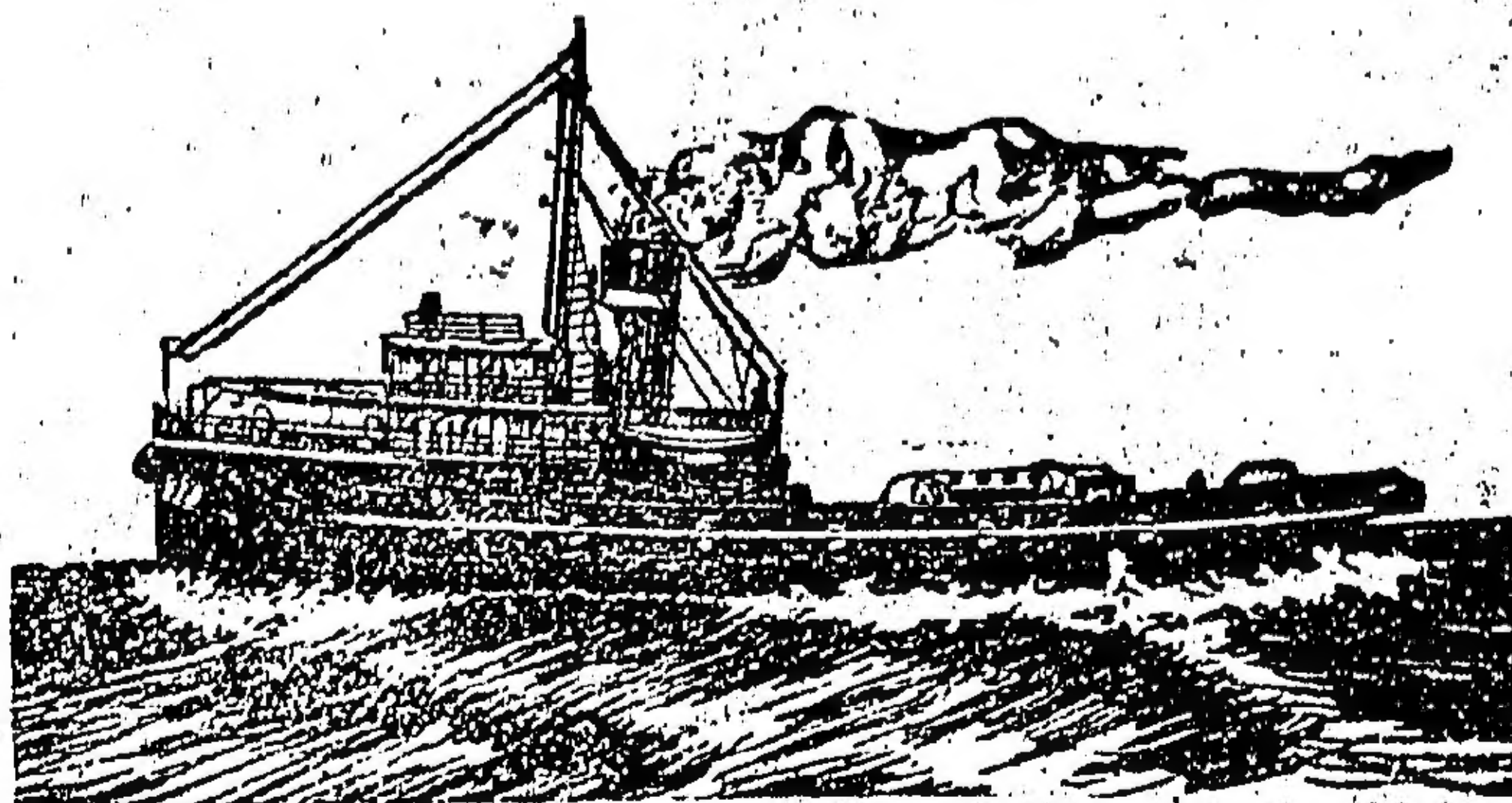
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